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SUBJECT: VISA APPLICATION EMILIE BOROVA

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DEPARTMENT FOR EE/BAKER

1. MRS. BOROVA APPLIED IN PERSON FOR VISITOR'S VISA

JUNE 26, 1973 EMBASSY HAD ALREADY RECEIVED LETTER FROM CONGRESSMAN JOEL PRITCHARD ON BEHALF OF MRS. BOROVA AND HAD REPLIED THAT EVERY POSSIBLE CONSIDERATION WOULD BE GIVEN HER APPLICATION WHEN SUBMITTED. VISA WAS APPROVED, IN FACT, THE DAY SHE APPLIED.

2. MRS. BOROVA SUBSEQUENTLY VISITED THE EMBASSY ON NOVEMBER 6 AND SPOKE WITH CHIEF, CONSULAR SECTION. SHE STATED THAT LOCAL CSSR AUTHORITIES IN PRAGUE HAD REFUSED PERMISSION FOR HER TO LEAVE CZECHOSLOVAKIA FOR VISIT TO USA, AND PROVIDED CONSUL COPY OF OFFICIAL WRITTEN REFUSAL. HOWEVER, SHE ASSERTED THAT HER DAUGHTER HAD TOLD HER IN TELEPHONE CONVERSATION THAT DAUGHTER'S SENATOR HAD SPOKEN DIRECTLY WITH GUSTAV HUSAK WHO, IN TURN, HAD PROMISED TO GIVE MRS. BOROVA PERMISSION TO EMIGRATE TO THE UNITED STATES. DAUGHTER SAID EMBASSY WAS PREPARED ISSUE IV AND THUS INSTRUCTED HER TO ASK FOR INFORMATION ABOUT HOW VISA WOULD BE ISSUED.

3. IN REPLY TO HER INQUIRY, CONSUL GAVE HER INFORMATION ON HOW TO APPLY FOR IV BUT EXPLAINED THAT HER NON PREFERENCE STATUS MIGHT CAUSE SOME DELAY BEFORE IT COULD BE ISSUED (FYI: CUT OFF DATE FOR NONPREFERENCE IVS IS APRIL 1, 1973).

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CONSUL ALSO COMMENTED THAT IN EVENT DAUGHTER BECAME AMCIT

MRS. BOROVA WOULD BE ENTITLED TO MORE ADVANTAGEOUS PREFERENCE STATUS. HE REMINDED HER THAT HER VISITOR'S VISA WAS APPROVED AND COULD BE ISSUED WHENEVER SHE RECEIVED CSSR PASSPORT.

4. MRS. BOROVA HERSELF UNCLEAR AS TO WHY DAUGHTER HAD INSISTED THAT SHE ASK FOR IMMIGRANT VISA SINCE SHE APPARENTLY HAD NOT DESIRED TO EMIGRATE FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND STILL DOES NOT. SHE SAID SHE WAS APPEALING EXIT PERMIT REFUSAL AND HOPED THAT TO SEE DAUGHTER SHE WOULD NOT HAVE TO LEAVE CSSR AS EMIGRANT BUT ONLY AS TRAVELER. SHE SAID SHE DID NOT WANT TO FILE IV APPLICATION AT THIS TIME.

5. RELATIVES OF INDIVIDUALS WHO LEFT CSSR ILLEGALLY HAVE NOT BEEN GIVEN EXIT PERMITS FOR VISITS WHILE 1973 AMNESTY PROVISIONS IN EFFECT FOR THOSE WHO LEFT WITHOUT PERMISSION IN 1967-69. THIS WAS REASON CITED BY CSSR AUTHORITIES FOR REFUSING BOROVA'S EXIT PERMIT. IT IS UNLIKELY MRS. BOROVA'S APPEAL WILL BE SUCCESSFUL, AT LEAST UNTIL AMNESTY EXPIRES END 1973. CONSUL WILL AGAIN SPEAK TO MRS. BOROVA TO CLEAR UP ANY MISUNDERSTANDING THIS END ABOUT HER APPROVED NIV OR FUTURE IV APPLICATIONS. REQUEST DEPARTMENT INFORM INTERESTED PARTIES OF FACTS NOTED HERE. EMBASSY WILL HANDLE BOROVA'S IV APPLICATION EXPEDITIOUSLY IN EVENT SHE EVENTUALLY CHOOSES TO SUBMIT IT. SHERER

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